

**Virginia Disability Commission**  
**Education and Employment Work Group**

**Tuesday, September 20, 2011**  
**12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

**5<sup>th</sup> Floor East Conference Room**  
**General Assembly Building**

**AGENDA**

- I. Introductions & opening remarks**
- II. Review of draft legislation - assistive technology transfer**
- III. DECISION - recommendation re: special education teachers for students who are blind or vision impaired**
- IV. Discussion of additional recommendations**
- V. Adjourn**

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**WORK GROUP #2 - Education and Employment**

- 1. Legislation amending the *Code of Virginia* to include special education teachers for students who are blind or vision impaired in the Standards of Quality and to establish caseload standards for such teachers, and language in the appropriation act to eliminate funding to the Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired to pay for special education teachers for students who are blind or vision impaired and to provide funding to the Department of Education to pay such teachers.**

Work Group #2 will make a final decision regarding this recommendation at it's next meeting, following receipt of information related to the expected financial situation of the Commonwealth and the potential fiscal impact of including special education teachers for students who are blind or vision impaired in the Standards of Quality funding structure including the potential fiscal impact on local school divisions of such a change.